Dear Representatives,

I urge you to vote in favor of HB5733. It is time to begin working to insure Connecticut's future by eliminating fossil fuels that are destructive to our physical health and the environmental well being of our planet earth and its natural resources that support our lives.

What good is it to continue with the dirty polluting fuels that most likely are major contributors to cancers, lung and a host of other diseases?

Why aren't we proceeding as Germany and other countries have in placing our prime effort in developing the alternative resources that will provide clean, efficient, enduring energy for our businesses, homes and transit systems?

Why is it that China is heading in that direction and we are investing in fossil fuels?

Even the investment of effort and funds in the expansion of the natural gas pipelines that has begun in our state and is being sought in the other New England states and New York should prove to be ill fated as a solution of our energy problems. These projects may very well prove to be a ploy by the energy industry to capture higher profits abroad while jeopardizing the safety, well being and future clean energy needs of all of us here. The two Canadian companies that are seeking to secure immense volumes of hydraulically fractured natural gas to ship from proposed terminals at Goldboro, Nova Scotia and Coos Bay, Oregon initially tried to create a need for more natural gas development by tweaking reported data that supposedly showed a need for the gas for domestic consumption. It has been shown and it even appears on Pieridae company's website that the product is intended for export to Europe and India.

Why should America and the New England states put off initiating sound alternative energy development projects for at least five years until both Canadian corporations Pieridae and Veresen predict that they might be ready to begin shipping liquified natural gas to their contracted customers around the world?

Why waste all that effort when the funds and the time are urgently needed to keep America in the race to switch to safe, clean, efficient, and eventually the least costly energy alternatives?

It's not just Connecticut but America that will benefit by our divestment from fossil fuels.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

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